

# Bath & North East Somerset Council

MEETING	<b>Licensing Sub Committee</b>	
MEETING DATE	<b>Thursday 02 April 2026</b>	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:
TITLE:	Application for a Premises Licence for:  High Acres  Tunley  Bath BA2 0DR	
WARD:	Bathavon South	
<b>AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM</b>		
<b>List of attachments to this report:</b>  <b>Annex A</b> Application for a new premises licence and accompanying plans. <b>Annex B</b> Measures Offered to Support the Licensing Objectives. <b>Annex C</b> Police Representation. <b>Annex D</b> B&NES Public Protection (H&S) Representation.		

## 1 THE ISSUE

1.1 An application has been made under s.17 Licensing Act 2003 by Mr Paul Rimbert Wadsworth in respect of a new premises licence for a small two-day festival. Taking place on Friday 26 June 2026, Saturday 27 June 2026 and Sunday 28 June 2026 in the paddock at the rear of High Acres in Tunley.

1.2 Two relevant representations have been received within the statutory period (Annex C and Annex D).

## 2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Committee is asked to determine the application.

## 3 THE REPORT

3.1 An application has been received for a new Premises Licence (Annex A).

3.2 The application proposes the following licensable activity:

The Sale of Alcohol for consumption on the premises.

Friday 18:00Hrs to 23:00Hrs  
Saturday 11:00Hrs to 00:01Hrs (Sunday morning)  
Sunday 11:00Hrs to 23:00Hrs

The Provision of Live Music outdoors only

Saturday 12:00Hrs to 00:01Hrs (Sunday morning)  
Sunday 12:00Hrs to 23:00Hrs

The Provision of Recorded Music outdoors only

Friday 18:00Hrs to 23:00Hrs  
Saturday 12:00Hrs to 00:01Hrs (Sunday morning)  
Sunday 12:00Hrs to 23:00Hrs

3.3 The application proposes the following opening times:

Friday 18:00Hrs to 23:00Hrs.  
Saturday 11:00Hrs to 00:01Hrs (Sunday morning)  
Sunday 11:00Hrs to 23:00Hrs

3.4 There have been measures offered by the applicant to promote the licensing objectives, that can be found in Annex B.

3.5 The Licensing Act 2003 (Section 4) states that it is the duty of all Licensing Authorities to carry out their functions under the Act with a view to promoting the licensing objectives. The licensing objectives are:

- a) the prevention of crime and disorder;
- b) public safety;
- c) the prevention of public nuisance; and
- d) the protection of children from harm.

3.6 Each objective is of equal importance. As there are no other licensing objectives, these four are of paramount consideration at all times. When considering applications, representations or notifications, the Licensing Authority will have regard to these licensing objectives.

3.7 The Licensing Authority may grant the application with or without additional conditions.

3.8 Section 4(3) Licensing Act 2003 states that the Licensing Authority should also have regard to the Council's Licensing Policy, the Statutory Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, and the Licensing Act itself, and in particular to:-

- a) Paragraphs 3-6, 8-10, 13-14, 17-24, 29, 33-36, 38-41 of the 2025 policy;
- b) Chapters 2, 8, 9 and 10 of the Statutory Guidance as revised February 2026;
- c) Sections 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 23, 182, and 183 of the Act

3.9 The Licensing Authority recognises that Licensing and Planning are separate regimes. Where an application is granted by the Licensing Authority which would require planning permission this would not relieve the applicant of the need to obtain that permission. It will still be necessary for the applicant to ensure that he/she has **ALL** the necessary permissions in place to enable them to run the business within the law.

3.10 If the application is refused the applicant may appeal within 21 days of the notification to the Magistrates' Court. If the application is granted the person making the relevant representation may appeal within 21 days of the notification to the Magistrates' Court. On appeal the court may either dismiss the appeal, substitute the decision appealed against for any other decision which could have been made by the Licensing Authority, or remit the case to the Licensing Authority to dispose of in accordance with the direction of the court. The court may make such order for costs as it thinks fit.

3.11 In accordance with the requirements of the Act, copies of the application were forwarded to the Police, the Fire Authority, Environmental Health, Development Control, Trading Standards, Health Authority and the Safeguarding Children and Young Persons Team.

3.12 The applicant was required to place a notice at the premises for a period of 28 consecutive days starting the day after the application was made, and to place an advert in a local newspaper within 10 working days of submitting the application to the licensing authority.

3.13 Two representations of objection have been received within the statutory period; one from the Avon and Somerset Police and one from BANES' Public Protection Team. They express concern that the applicant's proposals are likely to undermine Public Safety licensing objective (Annex C and D).

3.14 As relevant representations have been received, the Licensing Sub Committee must determine the application in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

#### **4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS**

4.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) has been completed. No adverse or other significant issues were found.

4.2 Consideration must be given to the Human Rights Act 1998 and the "convention rights".

4.3 The Sub Committee have been delegated authority to determine the application on behalf of the Licensing Authority in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

4.4 When reaching a decision, the Licensing Authority must carry out its functions with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives.

#### **5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)**

5.1 The costs of processing licences are covered by the fees charged. The fee for this application is £ 170.00

## **6 RISK MANAGEMENT**

6.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

## **7 CLIMATE CHANGE**

7.1 The licensing objectives do not require the applicant to specify steps to mitigate the impact of climate emergency. However, the applicant is encouraged to consider locally sourced ingredients and reducing single use plastic in the operation of their business.

## **8 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

8.1 None.

## **9 CONSULTATION**

9.1 The Council's Monitoring Officer ( Head of Legal & Democratic Services and Council Solicitor), Section 151 Officer (Director of Finance) and Head of Building Control and Public Protection have had opportunity to input to this report and have cleared it for publication.

9.2 This report has not been sent to the Trades Union because they would have no involvement.

<b>Contact person</b>	Michael Dando, Lead Public Protection Officer (Licensing)  01225 477946
<b>Background papers</b>	Licensing Act 2003  Guidance issued under s.182 of the Licensing Act 2003  Licensing Act 2003 (Premises and Club Premises Certificates) Regulations 2005  B&NES Statement of Licensing Policy
<b>Please contact the report author if you need to access this report in an alternative format</b>	

## Annex A

### Application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003

Please read the following instructions first –

- Use the Extra Page at the end of the form to provide further details if necessary
- When it is complete you can submit the form directly to us – click on the Submit Form button. You may wish to print and keep a copy of the completed form for your records. For help information about filling in this type of electronic form, click on the help information button
- [Please read the available information on the Licensing Act 2003](#)
- [Before completing this form please read the guidance notes](#)

What district/local area are you applying to?

I / We  (premises licence holder name)

apply for a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (the premises) and I/we are making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in accordance with section 12 of the Licensing Act 2003.

#### Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordinance survey map reference or description

High Acres  
Tunley  
Bath

Postcode

BA2 0DR

Telephone number of premises

07977415827

Non-domestic rateable value of premises ([if you are unsure, you can use this Government link for more information](#))

£100.00

Trading name of the business

High Acres Paddock

#### Part 2 – Applicant Details

Please state whether you are applying for a premises licence as:

An individual or individuals

Please confirm:

I am carrying on or proposing to carry on a business which involves the use of the premises for licensable activities; or

I am making the application pursuant to a:

Statutory function or

A function discharged by virtue of His Majesty's prerogative

**INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS (fill in as applicable)**

Note, names provided in this section must match the premises licence holder names given earlier.

Title

First

names

Surname:

Are you 18 years or older? Yes

Current postal address if different from premises address

Postcode

Daytime contact telephone

number Email address

**Right to Work** - where applicable (if demonstrating a right to work via the Home Office online right to work checking service), the 'Share code' provided to the applicant by that service. Input Share code if applicable

**SECOND INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (IF APPLICABLE)**

Title

First

names

Surname

Date of Birth (you must be 18 years old or over)

Current postal address if different from premises address

Postcode

Daytime contact telephone

number Email address

**Right to Work** - where applicable (if demonstrating a right to work via the Home Office online right to work checking service), the 'Share code' provided to the applicant by that service. Input Share code if applicable

## Operating Schedule

When do you want the premises licence to start?

26/06/2026

Please note, your application for a premises licence may take up to two months to determine.

If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end?

28/06/2026

If 5,000 or more people attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend

General description of premises

Two Day Small Festival Taking Place On Saturday 27.06.26 And Sunday 28.06.28 In The Paddock At The Rear Of High Acres In Tunley.

On Friday 26.06.26 There Will Be A Dj Playing And A Bar Open For Campers.

## Operating Schedule Continued

What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises?  
(Please see sections 1 of the Licensing Act 2003 and Schedule 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act)

### Provision of regulated entertainment

- a) plays (if yes, fill in box A)
- b) films (if yes, fill in box B)
- c) indoor sporting events (if yes, fill in box C)
- d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if yes, fill in box D)
- e) live music (if yes, fill in box E)
- f) recorded music (if yes, fill in box F)
- g) performance of dance (if yes, fill in box G)
- h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if yes, fill in box H)

**i) Provision of late night refreshment** (if yes, fill in box I)

**j) Supply of alcohol** (if yes, fill in box J)

Is the premises exclusively or primarily selling alcohol for consumption on the premises?

**In all cases complete boxes K, L and M (on the following pages)**

# E

<b>Live music</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both?</b> (please read guidance note 2)		Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
					Outdoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start time	Finish time	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)			
Mon	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<b>State any seasonal variations for performance of live music</b> (please read guidance note 4)			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Tues	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
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	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Thur	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
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Fri	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Sat	12:00	00:01				
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Sun	12:00	23:00				
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				

# F

<b>Recorded music</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both?</b> (please read guidance note 2)		Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
					Outdoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start time	Finish time	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)			
Mon	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<b>State any seasonal variations for playing recorded music</b> (please read guidance note 4)			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Tues	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Wed	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Thur	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Fri	18:00	23:00	<b>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times than those listed, please list</b> (please read guidance note 5)			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Sat	12:00	00:01				
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Sun	12:00	23:00				
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				

# J

<b>Supply of alcohol</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption:</b> (please read guidance note 2)	On the premises <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
				Off the premises <input type="checkbox"/>	
				Both <input type="checkbox"/>	
Day	Start time	Finish time	<b>State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol</b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Mon	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
Tues	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
Wed	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
Thur	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
Fri	18:00	23:00			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
Sat	11:00	00:01			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
Sun	11:00	23:00			
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
			<b>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times than those listed, please list</b> (please read guidance note 5)		

**State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS).**

Title   
First   
Name(s)  
Surname  
Date of  
Birth  
Address

Postcode

Personal licence number   
Issuing licensing authority

**Please print the 'Consent of individual to being specified as premises supervisor' form and have the person specified above sign and confirm the details given.**

## **K**

**Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 8)**

L

<b>Hours premises are open to the public</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>State any seasonal variations</b> (please read guidance)
Day	Start time	Finish time	
<b>Mon</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
<b>Tues</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
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<b>Sat</b>	<input type="text" value="11:00"/>	<input type="text" value="00:01"/>	
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
<b>Sun</b>	<input type="text" value="11:00"/>	<input type="text" value="23:00"/>	
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

**Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises to be open to the public at different times than those listed, please list** (please read guidance)

**M** – Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

**a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e)** (please read guidance note 9)

See attached document

**b) The prevention of crime and disorder**

**c) Public safety**

**d) The prevention of public nuisance**

**e) The protection of children from harm**

I will provide the plan of the premises (See [section 2.9](#) of



this guidance) I will provide the consent form



I understand that once my application has been formally accepted, I must advertise my application



I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected



I am applying as an individual rather than a business / limited company and have provided proof of my entitlement to work in the UK (for information on what you can provide as evidence, [please reference our evidence guidance notes](#))



**Please attach evidence using the 'Upload & Attach Files' button.**

**Types of files accepted as attachments:** gif, jpg, jpeg, tif, tiff, bmp, png and pdf.

Please ensure that the documents you attach are complete and easy to read. If documents are incomplete or are difficult to read this may result in a delay in your application.

**Declaration** (please read guidance note 10)

[Applicable to individual applicants only, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership] I understand I am not entitled to be issued with a licence if I do not have the entitlement to live and work in the UK (or if I am subject to a condition preventing me from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity) and that my licence will become invalid if I cease to be entitled to live and work in the UK.

The DPS named in this application form is entitled to work in the UK (and is not subject to conditions preventing him or her from doing work relating to a licensable activity) and I have seen a copy of his or her proof of entitlement to work, if appropriate.

It is an offence, under section 158 of the licensing act 2003, to make a false statement in or in conviction to a fine of any amount.

It is an offence under section 24b of the immigration act 1971 for a person to work when they know, or have reasonable cause to believe, that they are disqualified from doing so by reason of their immigration status. Those who employ an adult without leave or who is subject to conditions as to employment will be liable to a civil penalty under section 15 of the immigration, asylum and nationality act 2006 and pursuant to section 21 of the same act, will be committing an offence where they do so in the knowledge, or with reasonable cause to believe, that the employee is disqualified.

**Confirmation of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent.**  
(See guidance note 11) **If confirming on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

**Confirmation**

Name

Date

03/02/2026

Capacity (owner, director etc.)

Owner

**For joint applications confirmation of 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant or 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent** (please read guidance note 12) **If confirming on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

**Confirmation**

Name

Date

03/02/2026

Capacity (owner, director etc.)

Owner

**Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application** (please read guidance note 13)

Name

Address

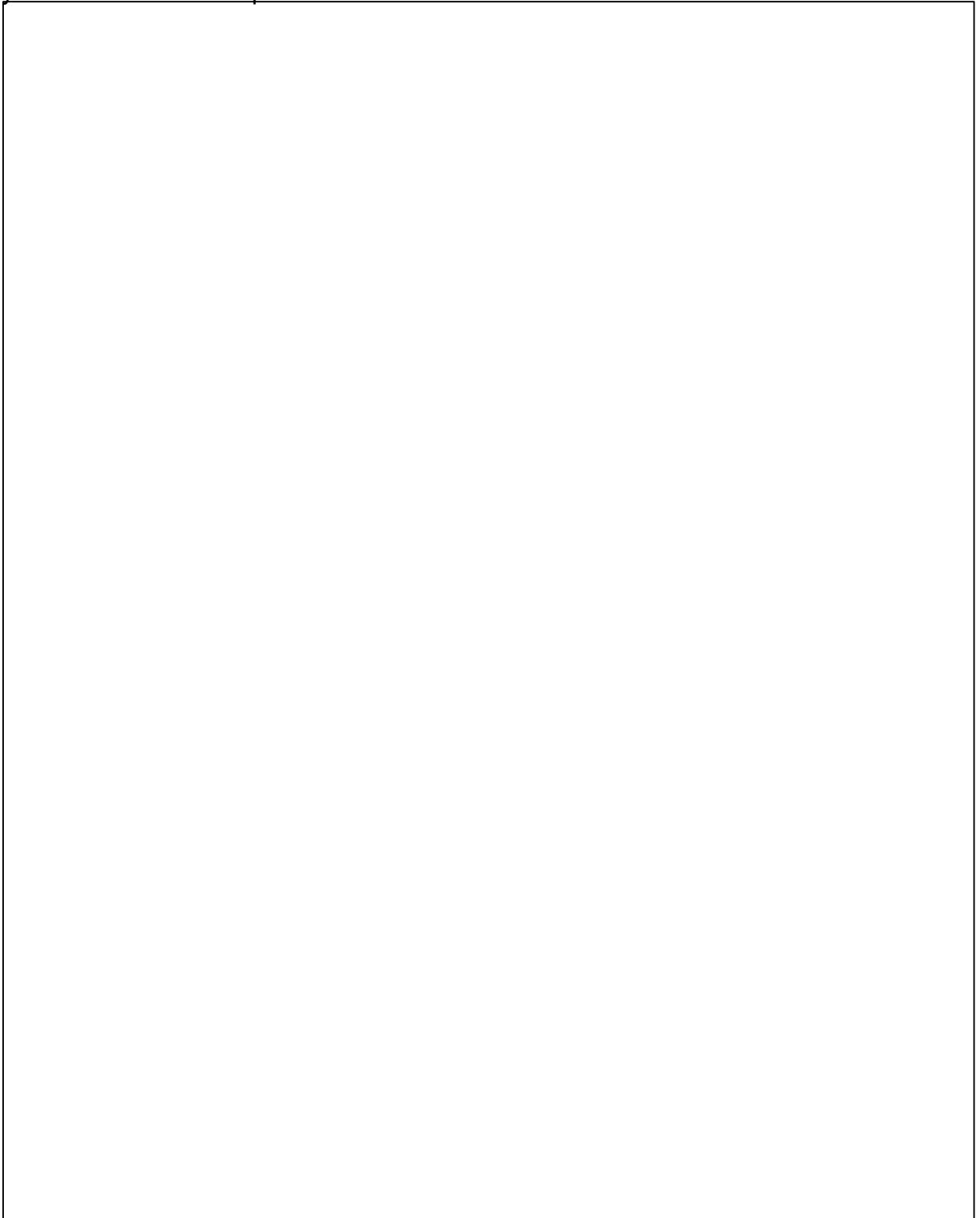
Postcode

BA2 0DR

Telephone number (if any)

If you would prefer us to correspond with you by email, your email address (optional)

Use this page if there is any other information that you think we should know about. Information entered on this page will be sent to us, along with the data on the rest of the form when you use the "Submit" option.

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**CLIENT**  
 Mr P & Mrs J Wadsworth  
 High Acres  
 Tunley  
 BATH  
 BA2 0DR



Purple Plan-it Ltd  
 38, North Road,  
 Paulton  
 Bristol  
 Somerset  
 BA3 2QQ

DWG No.

2020-197-9-1

DATE

January 2022

SCALE

1:1250 on A3

**PROJECT**

Erection of single storey rear extension, first floor extension to existing single storey annexe following demolition of existing conservatory and bootroom. General alterations to existing building.

**DRAWING TITLE**

Location Plan

**KEY**

- 1 STAGE
- 2 STAGE SUPPORT/CHANGING AREA
- 3 BAR OUTLET
- 4 FOOD OUTLET
- 5 FOOD OUTLET
- 6 BAR OUTLET
- 7 FEMALE/ACCESSABLE TOILET
- 8 MALE/ACCESSABLE TOILET
- LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES WILL ONLY TAKE PLACE WITHIN THE AREA BORDERED BY THE RED LINE

PEDESTRIAN ACCESS/EGRESS ROUTE USING DRIVEWAY TO SIDE OF DOMESTIC DWELLING. NOTE: THE DWELLING IS NOT TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN ANY FORM OF LICENCING AROUND THE EVENT

VEHICULAR ACCESS VIA STORAGE LANE



WADFEST EVENT MAP FOR "HIGH ACRES PADDOCK" SITE  
 DRAWN BY: PR WADSWORTH  
 06.01.26

www.purpleplan-it.co.uk

## **Annex B**

Form Name: Premises Licence Application

Form Reference: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Date Created: 03 February 2026

File: 12.01.26 Measures offered to promote the Licensing Objectives.pdf

### **Measures offered to promote the Licensing Objectives**

This licence will be in effect for Friday 26 June, Saturday 27 June and Sunday 28 June 2026 and will expire at the end of that period.

The maximum capacity of the event will be 700 people including staff, performers, and all other attendees.

The premises licence holder or designated premises supervisor will assess whether security industry authority (SIA) licensed door supervisors are required. SIA registered security staff must be employed at an event at a ratio of 1 Security Industry Authority (SIA) registered Door Supervisor from an Approved Contractor Scheme registered company per 100 patrons if following a risk assessment or advice from Police, it is considered necessary. All assessments are to be retained for a period of 6 months and shall be available to inspect by the police and authorised responsible authority officers.

The event authorised by this licence shall be attended only by those who have booked a ticket in advance or have received an invitation. No tickets shall be available to purchase on the gate

An incident logbook shall be kept and maintained on the premises. The log shall be used to record incidents that occur on the premises and carry a significant risk of leading to crime and disorder, prejudice to public safety, public nuisance, or harm to children. The log will include the date and time, the name of the member of staff making the record, along with the details of the incident and any action taken.

The incident logbook shall be available for inspection by the police or authorised Local Authority officers.

All staff involved in the sale of alcohol shall be given training regarding their responsibilities commensurate with their duties prior to the event taking place.

Age verification -'Challenge 25'

a) Evidence of age in the form of photographic identification (ID) shall be requested from any person appearing to those selling or supplying alcohol to be under the age of 25 and who is attempting to buy alcohol.

b) Acceptable identification for the purpose of this condition includes:

Current passport or an equivalent form of identification such as a national identity card with a photograph and date of birth;

Current photographic driving licence or provisional licence with date of birth;

Military identification card with a photograph and date of birth; and A Proof of Age Standards Scheme (PASS) approved age card.

c) Notices shall be strategically and prominently placed at points of sale advising customers that they may be asked to provide evidence of age.

d) A refusals book, to record every instance that sales of alcohol are refused, shall be maintained.

e) The refusals book shall document the date and time a refusal of sale is made and the member of staff refusing the sale

f) The refusal book shall be available for inspection by the police or authorised Local Authority officers.

The premises shall display prominent signage indicating at any point of sale that a Challenge 25 scheme is in operation.

The event organisers will take necessary steps to ensure minimum noise disruption to neighbouring properties and the general area.

A telephone number shall be made available and displayed in a prominent location where it can conveniently be read from the exterior of the premises by the public for local residents to contact in the case of noise-nuisance or anti-social behaviour by persons or activities associated with the premises. The telephone number will be a direct number to the management who are in control during opening hours. A record will be kept by management of all calls received, including the time, date, and information of the caller, including action taken following the call. Records will be made available for inspection and copying by an authorised officer of a responsible authority throughout the trading hours of the premises.

## Annex C

From: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX (6336)  
Sent: 10 March 2026 11:49  
To: Licensing <licensing@bathnes.gov.uk>  
Cc: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX (6424)  
Subject: Objection to application for Premises Licence -High Acres, Bath Road, Tunley, Bath, BA2 0DR  
Importance: High

I am in receipt of the recent application for a new premises licence at High Acres, Bath Road, Tunley, Bath, BA2 0DR.

I am an Event Safety Advisor employed by Avon and Somerset Police, I am also a member of the Bath and North Somerset Safety Advisory Group for Events (SAGE). My role as Event Safety Advisor is to assess event applications and any supporting documentation to ensure that the proposed event does not pose a risk to public safety.

The Secretary of States Guidance issued under S.182 of the Licensing Act 2003 states that licence holders have a responsibility to ensure the safety of those using their premises as a part of their duties under the Act. This includes, but is not limited to;

- Fire safety
- Ensuring appropriate access for emergency services
- Good communication with local authorities and emergency services
- Ensuring the safety of people when leaving the premises
- Ensuring appropriate limits on the maximum capacity of the premises

On 25 February 2026 myself and Mr XXXXXXXXXXXXX, Licensing Officer, met with the applicant on site. Following that site visit I wrote to the applicant and set out a number of fundamental details that would need to be addressed before the end of the licence consultation period in order to satisfy us that the site can be made suitable for a public event of this size. Whilst some concerns could potentially be addressed by way of conditions attached to the licence if granted, we must first be sure that any person on that site can be safely accommodated within.

My main concerns are:

1. Emergency Vehicle (EV) access to the main site – no details have been forthcoming concerning suitable access to the site
2. Site capacity – what space is available once infrastructure is in place, can the numbers that the applicant is seeking be accommodated safely and how will capacity be managed
3. Emergency egress/evacuation - The main site only has one entrance/exit point – there will need to be a secondary exit point or access to relative place of safety if the primary access is compromised
4. Traffic management – the applicant has indicated that he expects a significant number of attendees to travel to the site by vehicle – the proposed parking site is across the road from the main event site but no details have

been provided regarding ensuring the safety of the public returning to their vehicles at the end of the event.

Whilst it may fall outside of what can be considered in relation to the Licensing Act 2003, I am also concerned about the management of pedestrian movement between the two sites (the event site and the parking and camping field across the road) as well as the impact on the highway network in the immediate vicinity.

As I have yet to receive a response from the applicant, I have no option other than to object to the granting of the application on the grounds of public safety.

I do not feel that my concerns can be addressed by way of imposition of conditions and I cannot currently be satisfied that the safety of the public will not be put at risk should the licence be granted.

If you could please confirm receipt of this email it would be much appreciated.

Kind regards

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
Event Safety & Planning Advisor  
Bath and North East Somerset and Bristol

Operational Planning Headquarters | Avon and Somerset Police |  
Police & Fire HQ, Valley Road, Portishead, North Somerset, BS20 8QJ

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Avon and Somerset Constabulary

Working to make the communities of Avon and Somerset feel safe and be safe

Annev D

**LICENSING ACT 2003  
REPRESENTATION FORM**

**Please read the notes at the back of this form prior to completing it.**

**I/We object to the following application:**

Application number:	<b>26-00217-LAPRE</b>
Applicant's name:	
Premises name and address:	
Application for a:	<b>premises license</b>

**Objector Details:**

Objector's Name:	<b>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</b>
Objector's Address:	<b>Public Protection Team Bath and North East Somerset Council Lewis House Manvers Street Bath</b>
Organisation name if applicable:	<b>Bath and North East Somerset Council</b>

**Objection Details:**

My/our representation is relevant to the following licensing objective(s):

- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Prevention of public nuisance
- Protection of children from harm
- Public safety

Please detail your objection(s) as fully as possible in the box below and attach any supporting documents as necessary. If you do not then the Committee may not understand why you have objected.

Try to be as specific as possible and detail how the applicant's proposal will have an adverse effect on one or more of the licensing objectives.

I/We have already made a written representation and have no further comments

My name is Sara Chiffers and I am a Specialist Officer for Health and Safety in the Public Protection team at Bath and North East Somerset Council. I am appointed H&S Inspector under The Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and I am also a member of the Safety Advisory Group for Events (SAGE). Part of my job role is to review event applications and assess the supporting documentation to ensure there are sufficient controls in place to protect public safety.

I am submitting a representation in relation to the above application. I do not consider that the applicant can satisfy the public safety objective of the Licensing Act 2003. The applicant has provided detailed information relating to how the sale of alcohol will be managed, however there is no information to explain how they intend to ensure the safety of members of the public attending the event.

The Police have given the applicant extensive advice and have provide links to relevant guidance in relation to putting on an appropriately managed and safe event. This was communicated in writing. The applicant was advised that an officer in the Public Protection team also had concerns about the event.

To date the applicant has not provided any further information to explain how public safety will be managed at the proposed event.

Such information should include, but is not limited to:

1. Calculations to demonstrate that the licensable area can hold the proposed number of persons safely once adjustments have been made for any structures on site i,e stage, food vendors, toilets etc
2. Information relating to the access and egress from site - the location of entrances, exits including the widths with calculations to demonstrate that there is sufficient provision to evacuate all persons present to an area of relative safety in the event of an emergency
3. Provide an access plan for emergency services in the event of a fire or other emergency with consideration being given to the widths required for vehicle access
4. There needs to be an emergency incident plan in place.
5. What food providers will be onsite? How do they intend to vet suitable traders to ensure they are reputable and can operate safely and hygienically so as not to pose a risk to health?

6. Will there be an electrical supply on site? Who will be responsible for ensuring that it is rigged up safely and that it is suitable for outdoor use?
7. Will the site be light? If so, how?
8. Weather considerations - wind management plan, wet weather plan...
9. Information on what sanitary provision there will be including what potable water will be on site.

There are a number of other concerns which fall outside of the Licensing Act 2003, however for completeness, these would include:

#### Traffic management

How will people get to the festival? Is it anticipated that people will drive? If so, will there be enough parking? The footways through the village are fairly narrow and there will be a lot of parked cars, how will pedestrians crossing the road in large numbers be managed? How will the organiser ensure that traffic can still flow?

#### Camp site

The applicant intends to have a camping field across the road. How will pedestrians get to the campsite safely? How will vehicles be managed on site? Will there be toilet provision and if so, how has this been calculated? Will animals have been grazing on the land?

I invite the committee to consider whether adding conditions to the license will be sufficient to mitigate the risks to public safety risk or whether the application for a license should be refused. Granting the application should not be reliant on any of the responsible authorities having to approve the applicant's plans.

#### For information

The Health and Safety at Work Etc Act 1974 has limitations on its effectiveness in these types of situations . Improvement notices have a minimum period of 21 days for compliance. As events of this nature are of limited duration, the use of an improvement notice is impractical. Prohibition notices can prohibit an activity, however, it requires the activity to be active at the time. Stopping an event in this way would result in significantly more problems and would be very confrontational. Rarely is it a discrete issue that requires prohibiting. The public safety risk is the culmination of a number of factors and issues, which when put together result in a significant risk.

**I am aware that a full copy of my representation (including my name and address) will be sent to the applicant and will form part of a public document prior to any hearing on this matter.**

Signed XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Date 10/03/2026

Contact telephone number(s) XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
(This is essential as we may need to contact you at short notice)

There will be a hearing to determine this application. We will send you details of the time, date and location at least 10 working days before the hearing.

This section of the form must be returned to us a minimum of 5 working days before the hearing. If you wish, you may complete this now. Alternatively, you can keep this page and return it to us once you have received details of the hearing.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

I will be attending the hearing  I will not be attending the hearing

I will be represented at the hearing by .....

I will be calling the following witness(es):

<u>Name and signature of each witness</u>	<u>Details of evidence to be produced by witness</u>

Please delete as appropriate: I consider a hearing to be necessary/unnecessary

Form to be returned to [licensing@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@bathnes.gov.uk) or:

Licensing Team  
Public Protection Service  
Lewis House  
Manvers Street  
Bath BA1 1JG

## ANNEX D

### Important Information About Your Representation

#### Why do I need to fill in this form?

While we can accept any written representation, we ask that you complete this form in order to assist the Licensing Sub Committee at the hearing.

Representations made under the Licensing Act must be made public, and by signing this form you give permission for your details to be disclosed. That is why we ask you to complete this form even if you have already made a written representation.

#### What if I do not want my details to be disclosed?

Anonymous representations will not normally be accepted.

If you think there are exceptional circumstances that would justify you making an anonymous representation, such as the threat of intimidation or violence from the applicant, then please contact the Licensing Office on 01225 396719 to discuss the matter.

Alternatively, you can ask your Parish Council or local Residents' Association to make a representation instead. If you choose to do this, there is no need to complete this form; the Parish Council or Residents' Association will do it if they decide to make a representation.

#### What do I need to know when writing my representation?

The Licensing Act 2003 sets out four 'licensing objectives', which are listed on the front of this form. Your representation should state how you think the application will affect one or more of these licensing objectives.

#### What if I want to supply extra information in support of my representation?

You can include the information with your representation form. If you have already made a representation and now want to give us extra information in support of it, you need to send copies of it to the Licensing Office *and* the applicant. This should be done at least 5 working days before the hearing.

If you arrive at the hearing with extra information that has not been sent to the Licensing Office and the applicant, it will only be considered if the applicant and the Committee agree to it. We recommend that you bring at least 10 copies of the information with you to the hearing.

#### I want to make a representation about traffic/planning issues

Unfortunately, representations about traffic or parking can not be accepted. This is because the licence holder can not be held responsible for the use of the public highway outside of the premises.

The licensing regime is separate from other local government functions, including the planning department. If a Premises Licence is granted for a building, this will not exempt the licence holder from having to obtain the necessary planning permission. We are therefore unable to accept representations that simply refer to the need for planning permission.

## ANNEX C